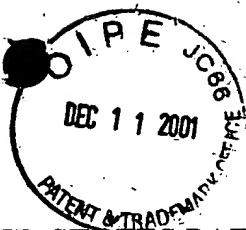


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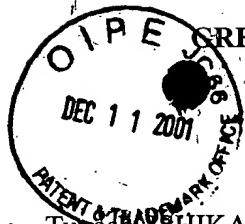
In response to the Official Action of September 11, 2001, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 11, 2001, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows (a marked-up copy of the claims is attached hereto):

1. (Amended - Clean Copy) A pattern reading apparatus, comprising:

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Transmitted herewith is a Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 in the above-captioned application.

- Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously filed.
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- A Request for Extension of Time.
- A Terminal Disclaimer.
- No Additional Fee.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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